

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	:	<b>CRIMINAL ACTION</b>
	:	<b>NO. 07-0205-02</b>
<b>vs.</b>	:	
	:	<b>CIVIL ACTION</b>
<b>HOWARD WILLIS</b>	:	<b>NO. 13-0646</b>

**ORDER**

**AND NOW**, this 15th day of March, 2013, upon consideration of the defendant's *pro se* motion to vacate, set aside, or correct his sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 (Document #72), and the government's motion to dismiss (Document #75), IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The defendant's motion is DENIED in its entirety without a hearing.
2. The government's motion to dismiss is GRANTED.
3. The defendant's motion for free transcripts (Document #74) is DENIED as moot.
4. As the defendant has failed to make a substantial showing of a denial of any constitutional right, there is no basis for the issuance of a certificate of appealability.
5. The Clerk of Court is directed to mark this case CLOSED.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Lawrence F. Stengel  
LAWRENCE F. STENGEL, J.